

ADAMS DIVERSIFIED EQUITY FUND, INC.

Form 5

February 02, 2016

FORM 5**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
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1(b).Form 3 Holdings
Reported

Form 4

Transactions

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL
OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
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response... 1.01. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Swindell Douglas Cotton

(Last) (First) (Middle)

500 EAST PRATT STREET, SUITE
1300

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ADAMS DIVERSIFIED EQUITY
FUND, INC. [ADX]3. Statement of Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended
(Month/Day/Year)
12/31/20154. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
E.V.P.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

BALTIMORE, MD 21202

☒ Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/31/2015	Â	J	Amount (1) 30,495 (A) or (D) Price \$ 0	9,698.538	D	Â
Common Stock	12/31/2015	Â	J	2,464.55 (2) (A) or (D) Price \$ 0	24,309.5655 (3)	I	By Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D S B O E I F (I
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Swindell Douglas Cotton
500 EAST PRATT STREET, SUITE 1300
BALTIMORE, MD 21202

Â Â Â E.V.P. Â

Signatures

Gail L. Valenti as Attorney-in-Fact for Douglas Cotton
Swindell

02/02/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) These shares were acquired in exempt transactions as a result of dividend reinvestment. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$12.39 - \$14.35 during 2015.

(2) These shares are held by the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust and represent the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in the shares that were acquired by the Trust in 2015 in exempt transactions as a result of periodic contributions made during 2015 and shares acquired by the Trustee through dividend reinvestment in 2015. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$12.39 - \$14.35 during that time.

(3) The number of shares reported as held by the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in such stock held in the trust. Such number is based on information as of 12/31/2015. This number includes the shares acquired in exempt transactions through periodic contributions made during 2015, shares acquired by the Trustee through dividend reinvestment, changes in the number of shares previously reported due to fluctuations in the market price and interests in the Trust during 2015. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$12.39 - \$14.35 during 2015.

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